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SUBJECT: RATIFICATION OF IFAD AGREEMENT AND SECRET VOTING PROCEDURES

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1. IN COURSE OF DISCUSSION MARCH 28 ON OTHER SUBJECTS, AID DIR AND ECONCOUNS PROVIDED AIDE MEMOIRE CONSISTING OF PARA 2 THROUGH 6 OF REFTEL TO MINECON/ECON COOP EL SAHEY. EMBOFFS STRESSED POTENTIAL IMPORTANCE OF IFAD AS MECHANISM FOR ASSISTING IN DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT IN FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, AND USG INTERESTS IN SEEING NECESSARY STEPS TAKEN TO PERMIT IT TO BEGIN OPERATION.

2. EL SAYEH EXPRESSED SOME SURPRISE THAT GOE HAD NOT AS YET TAKEN REQUIRED ACTION AND PLACED CALL TO SPEAKER OF PEOPLES ASSEMBLY MAREI TO INQUIRE AS TO STATUS OF ASSEMBLY CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSAL. CALL WAS NOT COMPLETED DURING MEETING. SAYEH WAS ALSO NOT CERTAIN THAT HIS MINISTRY WAS INVOLVED, BUT U/SEC EL NAZER, WHO WAS PRESENT, POINTED OUT THAT IT SHOULD BE (WITH THE IMPLICATION THAT NO ONE ELSE IS). IT WAS AGREED THAT IN EGYPT, AS ELSEWHERE, FACT THAT NO ONE HAD BEEN URGING IMPLEMENTATION IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRINCIPAL REASONS WHY SO LITTLE PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE. IT WAS TO CORRECT THIS PROBLEM THAT USG INITIATIVE WAS BEING UNDERTAKEN.

3. UTILITY OF DECIDING SUCH QUESTIONS AS SELECTION OF HEADQUARTERS BY PRIVATE VOTE WAS ALSO EXPLAINED (EL SAYEH ADDED THAT CHOICE OF PRESIDENCY WOULD BE

ANOTHER ILLUSTRATION.) HE UNDERTOOK TO FOLLOW UP ON THIS MATTER AND SUGGESTED THAT MFA ALSO BE INVOLVED IN ORDER TO INSURE COORDINATION FROM POLITICAL SIDE. EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL COPIES FOR THAT PURPOSE.

4. COMMENT. EGYPTIANS MAY HAVE SOME DIFFICULTY IN GETTING THEMSELVES TOGETHER ON THIS ONE, DESPITE ITS OBVIOUS ADVANTAGES TO THEM, BECAUSE SO MUCH PRIORITY ATTENTION IS BEING FOCUSED ON OTHER MATTERS. EMBASSY WILL ALSO FOLLOW UP, AS APPROPRIATE, IN EFFORT TO INSURE IFAD DOES NOT DISAPPEAR AGAIN.
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